

Directive

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SERVICE FEES AND BILLING CODES

1. PURPOSE

This directive transmits the fee schedule and billing codes for official services performed by the Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration, Federal Grain Inspection Service (FGIS). Further, it transmits the billing rates for Inspection and Weighing Services performed in the United States under the United States Grain Standards Act and Commodity and Rice Inspection Services performed in the United States under the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946.

2. REPLACEMENT HIGHLIGHTS

This directive replaces FGIS Directive 9180.74 (dated 6/14/04).

Inspection and Weighing fees were increased effective October 1, 2005, as published in the Federal Register (70 FR 50149) on August 26, 2005.

3. AUTHORITIES

The United States Grain Standards Act, as amended

The Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946

Title 7, Code of Federal Regulations, Parts 800 and 868

4. POLICY

Fees assessed by FGIS for official services shall be reasonable, nondiscriminatory, and cover the estimated cost of the service. These costs include direct, administrative, and supervisory costs related to these services.

5. FEES AND BILLING CODES

The attachments transmit the fees and billing codes for official services provided by FGIS.

Attachment 1- Fees for grain inspection and weighing services in the United States

Attachment 2- Fees for grain inspection and weighing services in Canada

Attachment 3- Fees for supervision of grain inspection and weighing services in the
United States

Attachment 4- Fees for rice inspection services

Attachment 5- Fees for commodity inspection services

Attachment 6- Fees for laboratory tests

6. INQUIRIES

Direct all inquiries regarding fees or billing codes to the Director of Field Management Division at (202) 720-0228.

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 Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration
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**Billing Codes and Rates for Official Inspection,
 Weighing and Appeal Inspection Services for Grain
 Performed in the United States under the United States Grain Standards Act 1/**

TABLE 1

Original Inspection and Official Weighing 2/3/4/5/

Hourly Rates

<u>Service</u>	<u>Service Description</u>	<u>Billing Code</u>	<u>Billing Rate</u>
One-Year Contract	Monday-Friday (6a.m. to 6p.m.)	G201	\$36.00/hour
	Monday-Friday (6p.m. to 6a.m.)	G202	\$37.60/hour
	Saturday, Sunday, overtime	G203	\$43.00/hour
	Holiday	G204	\$64.00/hour
Non-contract	Monday-Friday (6a.m. to 6p.m.)	G213	\$64.00/hour
	Monday-Friday (6p.m. to 6a.m.)	G214	\$64.00/hour
	Saturday, Sunday, overtime	G215	\$64.00/hour
	Holiday	G216	\$64.00/hour

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Services Performed Online at the Applicant's Facility 6/

<u>Service</u>	<u>Service Description</u>	<u>Billing Code</u>	<u>Billing Rate</u>
Aflatoxin		G218	\$10.00
Corn protein, oil, and starch (one or all)		G290	\$ 2.25
Soybean protein and oil (one or both)		G256	\$ 2.25
Wheat protein (per test)		G286	\$ 2.25
Sunflower oil (per test)		G274	\$ 2.25
Vomitoxin (qualitative)		G279	\$12.50
Vomitoxin (quantitative)		G281	\$18.50
Waxy corn (per test)		G284	\$ 2.25
<u>Class Y Weighing (per carrier)</u>			
Truck/container		G238	\$.30
Railcar		G237	\$ 1.25
Barge		G236	\$ 2.50
Administrative fee-assessed on all outbound carriers (per metric ton) (assessed in addition to all other applicable fees, only one administrative fee will be assessed when inspection and weighing services are performed on the same carrier). 7/		G244	Per EGIS Computer Screen

1/ As published in section 800.71 (a) of the regulations under the United States Grain Standards Act, as amended. See Federal Register (69 FR 26476), dated May 13, 2004, and made effective June 14, 2004.

2/ Hourly fees will be assessed in ¼-hour increments for each service representative.

3/ Fees apply for original inspection and weighing, re-inspection, and appeal inspection service and include, but are not limited to, sampling, grading, weighing, prior to loading stowage examinations, and certifying results performed within 25 miles of an employee's assigned duty station. Travel and related expenses will be charged for service outside 25 miles as found in section 800.72 (1).

- 4/ Overtime rates will be assessed for all hours in excess of 8 consecutive hours that result from an applicant scheduling or requesting service beyond 8 hours, or if requests for additional shifts exceed existing staffing.
- 5/ Tests or services performed that are not listed in this schedule should be billed at the applicable non-contract hourly rate with G240 as the rate code used.
- 6/ Appeal and re-inspection services will be assessed the same fee as the original inspection service.
- 7/ The administrative fee is assessed on an accumulated basis beginning at the start of the service's fiscal year (October 1 each year).

TABLE 2

Services Performed at Other Than an Applicant's Facility in an FGIS Laboratory 1/2/3/8/

<u>Service</u>	<u>Service Description</u>	<u>Billing Code</u>	<u>Billing Rate</u>
<u>Original Inspection and Weighing (Class X) Services</u>			
<u>Stationary Lots (sampling, grade/factor, & checkloading)</u>			
	Truck/trailer/container	G278	\$ 20.00
	Railcar (per carrier)	G250	\$ 29.70
	Barge (per carrier)	G222	\$187.50
	Sacked grain (per hour per service representative plus an administrative fee per hundred weight)	G254	\$.04
<u>Lots sampled online during loading (sampling charge at applicable hourly rate applies)</u>			
	Truck/trailer/container	G277	\$ 12.00
	Railcar (per carrier)	G249	\$ 25.00
	Barge (per carrier)	G221	\$128.10
	Sacked grain (per hour per service representative plus an administrative fee per hundred weight)	G253	\$.04
<u>Other services</u>			
	Submitted sample (per sample - grade and factor)	G271	\$ 12.00
	Warehouseman inspection (per sample)	G283	\$ 21.00
<u>Service</u>			
	Factor only (per factor - maximum 2 factors)	G239	\$ 5.70
	Check-loading/condition examination (use applicable hourly rates plus an administrative fee per hundred weight if not previously assessed)	G234	\$.04
	Re-inspection (grade and factor only-Sampling service additional)	G251	\$ 13.00
	Class X Weighing (per hour per service representative)	G235	\$ 64.00

<u>Additional tests (excludes sampling)</u>	<u>Billing Code</u>	<u>Billing Rate</u>
Aflatoxin	G220	\$ 30.00
Corn protein, oil, and starch (one or all)	G291	\$ 10.00
Soybean protein and oil (one or both)	G257	\$ 10.00
Wheat protein (per test)	G287	\$ 10.00
Sunflower oil (per test)	G275	\$ 10.00
Vomitoxin (qualitative)	G280	\$ 31.00
Vomitoxin (quantitative)	G282	\$ 38.50
Waxy corn (per test)	G285	\$ 10.00
Canola (per test - 00 dip test)	G233	\$ 10.00
Pesticide Residue Testing - routine compounds (per sample)	G247	\$216.00
Pesticide Residue Testing - special compounds (per sample) (per service representative)	G248	\$115.00

Appeal inspection and review of weighing service 4/5/

Board appeal and Appeals (grade and factor)	G226	\$ 82.00
Factor only (per factor - max 2 factors)	G225	\$ 43.00
Sampling service for Appeals additional at applicable hourly rate		
Aflatoxin 6/	G223	\$ 30.00
Corn protein, oil, and starch (one or all)	G292	\$ 17.70
Soybean protein and oil (one or both)	G227	\$ 17.70
Sunflower oil	G228	\$ 17.70
Wheat protein (per test)	G229	\$ 17.70

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Vomitoxin (per test - qualitative)	G230	\$ 41.00
Vomitoxin (per test - quantitative)	G231	\$ 47.00
Vomitoxin (per test - HPLC Board appeal)	G232	\$141.00
Pesticide Residue Testing - routine compounds (per sample)	G247	\$216.00
Pesticide Residue Testing - special compounds (per sample) (per service representative)	G248	\$115.00
Review of weighing (per hour per service representative)	G252	\$ 82.60

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<u>Stowage examination (service on request) 7/</u>	<u>Billing Code</u>	<u>Billing Rate</u>
Ship (per stowage space)(minimum \$255 per ship)	G270	\$ 51.00
Subsequent ship examinations (same as original) (minimum \$153 per ship)	G270	\$ 51.00
Barge (per examination)	G259	\$ 41.00
All other carriers (per examination)	G260	\$ 16.00

1/ Fees apply for original inspection and weighing, re-inspection, and appeal inspection service and include, but are not limited to, sampling, grading, weighing, prior to loading stowage examinations, and certifying results performed within 25 miles of an employee's assigned duty station. Travel and related expenses will be charged for services outside 25 miles as found in section 800.72.

2/ An additional charge will be assessed when the revenue from the services in the above section does not cover what would have been collected at the applicable hourly rate as provided in section 800.72(2).

3/ If performed outside of normal business hours, 1½ times the applicable unit fee will be charged.

4/ If, at the request of the Service, a file sample is located and forwarded by an agency for an official appeal, the agency may, upon request, be reimbursed at the rate of \$2.65 per sample by the Service.

5/ Board appeal inspections are based on file samples.

6/ Testing Aflatoxin for HPLC should be charged at the applicable USGSA non-contract hourly fee, utilizing rate code G240, by the total number of hours (3.75) required to perform the testing.

7/ If a ship has had, and passed, a stowage examination at one port location but not loaded all holds examined and then moved to another port, the subsequent stowage examination shall not be charged the minimum hold fee but only the per hold unit charge.

8/ Testing fees are applicable to any level of service (original inspection, re-inspection, appeal inspection, or Board appeal inspection) and do not include a sampling service fee which, if applicable, will be assessed separately in accordance with the fees in this schedule.

TABLE 3

Miscellaneous Services 1/

<u>Service</u>	<u>Billing Code</u>	<u>Billing Rate</u>
Fees for any service or test not listed (per hour per service representative)	G240	\$ 64.00
Grain grading seminars (per hour per service representative)	G242	\$ 64.00
Certification of diverter-type mechanical samplers (per hour per service representative)	G258	\$ 64.00
<u>Special services (per hour per service representative)</u>		
Scale testing and certification	G246	\$ 83.20
Evaluation of weighing and material handling systems	G246	\$ 83.20
Mass standards calibration and re-verification	G246	\$ 83.20
Special projects	G246	\$ 83.20
NTEP prototype evaluation (other than Railroad Track Scales)	G246	\$ 83.20
NTEP prototype evaluation of Railroad Track Scales	G246	\$ 83.20
Use of GIPSA railroad track scale test equipment per facility for each requested service (except agreements)	G245	\$500.00
Foreign travel (per day per service representative)	G241	\$510.00
<u>Online customized data EGIS service</u>		
One data file per week for 1 year	G288	\$500.00
One data file per month for 1 year	G289	\$300.00
Samples provided to interested parties (per sample)	G255	\$ 3.00
Special mailing (actual cost) 2/	XXXX	Actual Cost
Travel (mileage, airfare, per diem, etc.)	G276	Actual Cost
Extra copies of certificates, faxing per page, and divided lots 3/	G299	\$ 1.75/copy

1/ Fees apply for original inspection and weighing, re-inspection, and appeal inspection service and include, but are not limited to, sampling, grading, weighing, prior to loading stowage examinations, and certifying results performed within 25 miles of an employee's assigned duty station. Travel and related expenses will be charged for services outside 25 miles as found in section 800.72.

2/ Rate code XXXX should only be used when there is no other rate code that matches the service performed. In those cases when XXXX is used, the actual dollar amount billed should be entered into FFIS.

3/ A fee for extra copies will be assessed when more than the original and three copies of a certificate are requested for any kind or level of official service (G299).

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**Billing Codes and Rates for Official Inspection and Weighing Services Performed in
Canada Under the United States Grain Standards Act 1/2/**

<u>Service</u>	<u>Service Description</u>	<u>Billing Code</u>	<u>Billing Rate</u>
Original Inspection, Official Weighing, Re-inspection, and <u>Appeal Inspection 3/ 4/ 5/ 6/</u>			
Contract	Monday-Saturday	G101	\$103.00/hour
	Sunday and Holiday	G102	\$130.00/hour
Non-contract	Monday-Saturday	G103	\$137.00/hour
	Sunday and Holiday	G104	\$172.00/hour
Extra Copies of Certificates 7/		G199	\$ 1.50

1/ As published in section 800.71(a) of the regulations under the United States Grain Standards Act, as amended. See Federal Register (51 FR 21791), dated June 10, 1988.

2/ Hourly fees will be assessed in 1/4 -hour increments for each service representative.

3/ Official inspection and weighing services include, but are not limited to, grading, weighing, sampling, stowage examination, equipment testing, scale testing and certification, test weight re-verification, evaluation of inspection and weighing equipment, demonstrating official inspection and weighing functions, furnishing standards illustrations, and certifying inspection and weighing functions.

4/ Fees for re-inspection and appeal inspection services performed at locations where FGIS is providing original inspection services will be assessed at the applicable contract or non-contract hourly rate as the original inspection. However, if additional personnel are required to perform the re-inspection or appeal inspection, the applicant will be assessed the non-contract original inspection hourly fee.

5/ Board appeal inspections are based on file samples.

6/ Rate code XXXX should only be used when there is no other rate code that matches the service performed. In those cases when XXXX is used, the actual dollar amount billed should be entered into FFIS.

7/ A fee for extra copies will be assessed when more than the original and three copies of a certificate are requested for any kind or level of official service.

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Billing Codes and Rates for Supervision of Official Inspection and Weighing Services
Performed by Delegated States and Designated Agencies in the United States 1/ 2/ 3/ 4/5/

<u>Service</u>	<u>Service Description</u>	<u>Billing Code</u>	<u>Billing Rate</u>
	The supervision fee is charged at \$0.011 per metric ton inspected and/or weighed.	G308	Actual

1/ As published in section 800.71 of the regulations under U.S. Grain Standards Act, as amended. See Federal Register (70 FR 50149), dated August 26, 2005, and made effective October 1, 2005.

2/ The tonnage fee will be assessed for all weighed ships based on actual weights.

3/ The tonnage fee will be assessed only on original inspections or weights

4/ Inspections involving "Warehouseman Inspections" must indicate the type of carrier involved.

5/ The ton conversion rate for carriers/service are trucks/submitted samples – 19.39 metric tons, container – 20.04 metric tons, railcar – 103.42 metric tons, midwest barge – 1,292.74 metric tons, and Pacific Northwest barge – 2,267.96 metric tons.

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**Billing Codes and Rates for Federal Rice
Inspection Services Under the Agricultural
Marketing Act of 1946 1/**

Hourly Rates 2/ 3/ 4/

<u>Service</u>	<u>Service Description</u>	<u>Billing Code</u>	<u>Billing Rate</u>
Contract Sunday and Holiday	Monday-Saturday	G701	\$46.40/hour
		G702	\$64.40/hour
Non-contract Sunday and Holiday	Monday-Saturday	G703	\$56.60/hour
		G704	\$78.00/hour

Unit Rates 4/ 5/

<u>Service</u>	<u>Service Description</u>	<u>Billing Code</u>	<u>Billing Rate</u>
Inspection for Quality (per lot, subplot, or sample inspection) Milled Rice Factor Analysis: (a) Milling Yield (per sample) (b) All Other Factors	Rough Rice	G712	\$35.50
	Brown Rice for Processing	G710	\$30.50
		G711	\$22.00
	Rough Rice or Brown Rice for Processing	G709	\$27.50
Total Oil and Free Fatty Acid Rice	Rough Rice	G706	\$13.20
	Brown Rice for Processing or Milled Rice	G714	\$13.20
	Brown Rice for Processing or Milled	G713	\$43.00

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<u>Service</u>	<u>Service Description</u>	<u>Billing Code</u>	<u>Billing Rate</u>
Interpretive Line 6/ Samples	Milling Degrees (per set)	G707	\$94.00
	Parboiled Light (per sample)	G708	\$23.00
Export Rice Inspection 7/ Extra Copies of Certificates 8/	Per C.W.T.	G705	\$ 0.056
	Per copy	G799	\$ 3.00

1/ As published in section 868.91 of the regulations under the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946. See Federal Register (68 FR 24859), dated May 9, 2003, effective June 9, 2003.

2/ The hourly rate includes sampling, grading, weighing, and other services requested by the applicant when performed at the point of service.

3/ Hourly rates are assessed in ¼ -hour increments for each service representative.

4/ Rate code XXXX should only be used when there is no other rate code that matches the service performed. In those cases when XXXX is used, the actual dollar amount billed should be entered into FFIS.

5/ The unit rates apply to determinations (original or appeal) for kind, class, grade, factor analysis, equal to type, milling yield, or any other quality designation as defined in the U.S. Standards for Rice or applicable instructions, whether performed singly or combined at other than the point of service.

6/ Interpretive line samples may be purchased from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration, FGIS Technical Services Division, Board of Appeals and Review, 10383 North Executive Hills Blvd., Kansas City, Missouri 64153-1394. Interpretive line samples are also available for examination at selected FGIS field offices. A list of field offices may be obtained from the Director, Field Management Division, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, STOP 3630, Washington, DC 20250-3630. The interpretive line samples illustrate the lower limit for milling degrees only and the color limit for the factor "Parboiled Light" rice.

7/ This is a unit fee per hundred weight (C.W.T.) for all rice inspection services performed on lots at rest at export locations; e.g., condition examination of sacked rice at a dockside warehouse.

8/ A fee for extra copies will be assessed when more than the original and three copies of a certificate are requested for any kind or level of official service.

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**Billing Codes and Rates for Commodity Inspection
Services (Pulses, Hops, and Miscellaneous Processed
Commodities) Under the AMA of 1946**

Hourly Rates 1/ 3/

<u>Service</u>	<u>Service Description</u>	<u>Billing Code</u>	<u>Billing Rate</u>
Commodity Inspection:			
Regular Hourly Rate	Monday-Friday	G801	\$ 34.20/hour
Saturday, Sunday, and Holidays		G802	\$ 44.40/hour
Miscellaneous Processed Commodities: 2/			
(1) Additional Tests (cost per test, assessed in addition to the hourly rate)			
(i)	Falling Number	G808	\$ 12.50/test
(ii)	Aflatoxin Test Kit	G804	\$ 7.50/kit
(iii)	Aflatoxin - Non Field Run	G805	\$ 22.50/test
Graded Commodities (Beans, Peas, Lentils, Hops, and Pulses):			
(1) Additional Tests - Unit Rates (Beans, Peas, and Lentils):			
(i)	Field Run (per lot or sample)	G809	\$ 23.00/test
(ii)	Other Than Field Run (per lot or sample)	G811	\$ 13.75/test
(iii)	Factor Analysis (per factor)	G807	\$ 5.65/factor
(2) Additional Tests - Unit Rate (Hops)			
	(i) Lot or Sample (per lot or sample)	G810	\$ 29.30/lot
(3) Additional Tests - Unit Rate (Non-graded non-processed Commodities)			
	(i) Factor Analysis (per factor)	G806	\$ 5.65/factor

<u>Service</u>	<u>Service Description</u>	<u>Billing Code</u>	<u>Billing Code</u>
Graded Commodities (Beans, Peas, Lentils, Hops, and Pulses): Cont'd			
(4) Stowage Examination (service on request) 4/ Ship (per stowage space) (minimum \$252.50 per ship)		G814	\$ 50.50
Subsequent ship examinations (same as original) (minimum \$151.50 per ship)		G814	\$ 50.50
Barge (per examination)		G812	\$ 40.50
All other carriers (per examination)		G813	\$ 15.50
Travel (airfare, mileage, per diem, etc.)		G815	Actual Cost
Extra Copies of Certificates/Faxing (per page)		G899	\$ 1.50

1/ Fees for original commodity inspection and appeal inspection services include, but are not limited to, sampling, grading, weighing, stowage examinations, pre-inspection conferences, sanitation inspections, and other services requested by the applicant when performed within 25 miles of an employee's assigned duty station. Travel and related expenses (commercial transportation costs, mileage, and per diem) will be assessed in addition to the hourly rate for services outside the 25-mile limit. Refer to section 868.92 for an explanation of service fees, for all other service fees except travel and per diem.

2/ When performed at a location other than the Commodity Testing Laboratory.

3/ Faxed and extra copies of certificates will be charged at \$1.50 per copy.

4/ If performed outside of normal business hours, 1 ½ times the unit fee will be charged.

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Commodities) Under the AMA of 1946

Commodity Testing Laboratory Fees 1/

A. In addition to the fees, if any, for sampling or other requested service, a fee will be assessed for each laboratory test (original, retest, or appeal) as follows:

<u>Laboratory Tests</u>	<u>Billing Fees</u>	<u>Code</u>
1. Aflatoxin test (Quantitative – HPLC)	\$182.00	Z7
2. Aflatoxin (Quantitative – Test Kit)	\$ 87.00	
3. Aflatoxin (Qualitative – Test Kit)	\$ 47.00	
4. Appearance and odor	\$ 7.00	
5. Ash	\$ 17.00	
6. Brix	\$ 16.00	
7. Calcium	\$ 27.00	
8. Carotenoid color	\$ 27.00	
9. Cold test (oil)	\$ 20.00	
10. Color test (syrops)	\$ 13.00	
11. Cooking test (pasta)	\$ 13.00	
12. Crude fat	\$ 20.00	
13. Crude fiber	\$ 27.00	
14. Falling number	\$ 24.00	
15. Free fatty acid	\$ 12.00	
16. Insoluble impurities (oils and shortenings)	\$ 9.00	
17. Iron enrichment	\$ 30.00	
18. Lovibond color	\$ 20.00	
19. Moisture	\$ 13.00	
20. Moisture and volatile matter	\$ 17.00	
21. Oxidative stability index (OSI)	\$ 54.00	
22. Peroxide value	\$ 27.00	
23. Popping ratio	\$ 38.00	
24. Protein	\$ 16.00	

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25. Sanitation (filth light)	\$ 47.00
26. Sieve test	\$ 11.00
27. Smoke point	\$ 43.00
28. Solid fat index	\$168.00
29. Visual exam	\$ 22.00
30. Vomitoxin (Qualitative – Test Kit)	\$ 61.00
31. Vomitoxin (Quantitative – Test Kit)	\$ 81.00
32. Other laboratory analytical services (per hour per service representative)	\$ 67.00

B. If a requested test is to be reported on a specified moisture basis, a fee for moisture test will also be assessed.

C. Laboratory test referenced in table 2 of this section will be charged at the applicable fee.

1/ When laboratory tests/services are provided for GIPSA by a private laboratory, the applicant will be assessed a fee, which, as nearly as practicable, covers the costs to GIPSA for the service provided.